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Amendment December 20, 2010  
Reply to Office Action of October 1, 2010

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appin. No: 10/554,028  
Applicant: Chunquan Chen, *et al.*  
Filed: June 30, 2006  
Title: USE OF LIPO-CHITOLIGOSACCHARIDES TO INITIATE EARLY FLOWERING  
AND FRUIT DEVELOPMENT IN PLANTS AND RELATED METHODS AND  
COMPOSITIONS  
T.C./A.U.: 1616  
Examiner: Alton Nathaniel Pryor  
Confirmation No.: 7849  
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**AMENDMENT**

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Sir:

Responsive to the Non-Final Office Action dated October 1, 2010, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:

- ☒ **Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 2 of this paper.
- ☒ **Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.